



Mini-Grant Application

“YOUth Can!”

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Global Youth Service Day Mini-Grant Application:

Thank you for your interest

What: ServeNebraska, the Nebraska Volunteer Service Commission, is making funding available to organizations, schools, programs and institutions to develop, coordinate and implement small projects that will engage Nebraska youths in service to their local communities in conjunction with Global Youth Service Day, April 23-25, 2010. Applications should address this year's theme: "YOUth Can!" Our goal is to include as many youth as possible and help them build a strong service and service-learning foundation. Details on Global Youth Service Day can be found here: <http://gysd.org/>

Your application should support Nebraska youth in local one-day or continuous service projects with a service-learning component. Please submit a full application (attached), including a detailed proposed budget and project description. The complete application should not be longer than five (5) pages.

There are two pools of funding available – one for efforts benefiting any Nebraska youth and the other specifically focused on engaging youth with disabilities. Please state which pool of funds you are applying for within your application. ***The mini-grant awards for both pools will be capped at \$500.00.***

Deadline: To apply for a ServeNebraska Global Youth Service Day mini-grant, please complete and return the attached application form no later than **Monday, March 15, 2010 at 5:00 pm CST** to Greg Donovan at greg.donovan@nebraska.gov . If email submission is not an option, hard copies by fax [402-471-6249] or delivery/mail to:

Greg Donovan
ServeNebraska
6th Floor/State Capitol Building
PO Box 98927
Lincoln, NE 68509-8927

Selection Criteria: Projects may be chosen based on the following criteria: number of engaged youth volunteers; cost-effectiveness; location; and proposed impact. Preference will be given to projects with multiple funding sources; projects that engage and/or serve individuals with disabilities, particularly children; projects that occur in central - and/or western - Nebraska; and projects that have a cost-per-youth ratio of \$1.00 per 1 youth or better. Applicants are encouraged to provide matching funds (cash and/or In-kind). Please provide information in the budget portion of the application about intended match resources. ServeNebraska reserves the right to award partial funding based on the applicants proposed budget and project description.

Allowable use of funds: Funds are limited and meant to be used for direct programming needs. Allowable uses of funds are project materials, transportation for participants, food, beverages and other necessary refreshments, venue or material rentals. Funds may not be used to cover personnel costs.

Reporting: If you are chosen for a mini-grant award you will be required to provide service data, including the number of youth engaged, number of service beneficiaries, and items created as applicable. Additionally, you will be required to submit a one-page project summary narrative at the conclusion of the Global Youth Service Day activity.



2010 Global Youth Service Day Mini Grant Application

1. Contact Information

Contact Name: Suzanne Smith

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Organization (legal applicant name): Crisis Center for Domestic Abuse/Sexual Assault

Address: 114 E. Military, Fremont, NE 68025

Youth Contact Person: Ashley Kirkman

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2. Project Details

Organization Type: (Select all that apply)

☐ Faith-based

☒ Non-profit

☐ Government

☐ Education

☐ Club

☐ Business

☐ Other:

Which pool of funding are you applying for:

☐ Disability Inclusion Youth Service

☒ Youth Service

Community Served: Fremont

Description of Youth Population (ages, demographics): Fremont area high school seniors and Midland Lutheran College students 18-25 years

Expected Number of Volunteers: 30

Number of Youth (age 5-25) anticipated out of expected volunteers: 30

3. Please describe your Youth Service Day Project plan and how it is applicable to the

"YOUth Can!" theme:

The Crisis Center for Domestic Abuse/Sexual Assault is partnering with Midland Lutheran College's "C 4 C Group", which is a social change student organization to promote a Watch Your Drink campaign. The Watch Your Drink Campaign is designed to educate youth and the public on the potential dangers of date rape drugs. C 4 C students will be presenting at Midland's Academic Achievement Day on date rape awareness and risk reduction to about 150 high school seniors on April 15th. They will also share about the Watch Your Drink Campaign and encourage them to take an active role in sexual assault prevention. The high school students will be invited to volunteer on the campaign and to attend the C 4 C's Youth Service Day on April 24th. The Crisis Center's Community Educator will provide training on dating violence, healthy relationships, bullying/bystander



and sexual respect. Lunch will be provided and then the students will plan their campaign to partner with local restaurants, bars and clubs. They will be providing the businesses with coasters and posters with the Watch Your Drink message and emergency contact numbers if you or someone you know has been assaulted.

4. Project Location (Complete Address): Midland Lutheran College, 900 North Clarkson

5. Does your project include a Service-Learning approach: ☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please describe: Crisis Center will be training C 4C College students on sexual assault prevention, the college students will in turn address high school youth and implement the Watch Your Drink campaign throughout the community utilizing high school and college student volunteers.

6. If your project includes youth with disabilities or focuses on serving those with disabilities, describe how:

7. Does your project plan to engage youth not normally asked to serve: ☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please explain: We are asking our high school and college students to help raise awareness about sexual assault within the community.

8. How will your project meet the needs of your community: The Crisis Center and area youth will be partnering with businesses to bring awareness to sexual assault, specifically drug facilitated rape. The campaign encourages adults and youth to stay aware and look out for one another. It will also increase awareness of services available and how you can help.

9. Day(s) completing service: ☐ April 23 ☒ April 24 ☐ April 25 ☐ Other: April 15th and April 27th_____

10. How will you recruit volunteers for this project:

The Crisis Center and the C 4 C group have already committed to the project. High School students will be informed and solicited at the Academic Achievement Day. Flyers will also be distributed at the local high schools and on campus.

11. How will you involve youth in leadership roles:

The C 4 C group is taking the lead with this event and will looking to other youth volunteers for leadership as they continue to plan. The Crisis Center staff will have an advisory role.

12. How many youth are involved in the planning of this service project: 15

13. Is this project a collaboration with another service day: ☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, which one(s) and with whom: Midland Lutheran College's Academic Achievement Day for high school seniors on April 15th.

14. What supplies or resources will be necessary to complete this project: We will need 500 printed coasters, 500 printed materials (posters, table tents).



15. What is the plan for participant and volunteer transportation to the project location? The students will be expected to provide their own transportation.

16. How will you track numbers of volunteers and volunteer service hours:
The C 4 C group will be having sign in sheets for each presentation and meeting and will be tracking hours.

17. What will the end result of your project be:
A youth initiated awareness event that will increase knowledge of date rape drugs and how to stay safe, increase the public and business owners knowledge of sexual violence and increase awareness of where you can go for help.

18. How will you know your project was a success:
We will know we have increased awareness by the number of students who participate receiving the information and materials and the number of businesses which participate and display the posters and coasters which will educate the public.

Budget Summary (Be as detailed as possible)

1. Please present the full budget for the project, highlighting other sources of funds.

Materials/ Supplies:

ITEM	REQUEST	OTHER FUNDS	SOURCE(S) OF OTHER FUNDS	TOTAL COST
Coaster	\$350			\$350
Printed materials	\$150			\$150
<i>Sub-Total</i>	\$500			\$500

Travel (mileage, food costs):

ITEM	REQUEST	OTHER FUNDS	SOURCE(S) OF OTHER FUNDS	TOTAL COST
Lunch (pizza)		\$100	In-kind business donation	\$100
<i>Sub-Total</i>				

Other:

ITEM	REQUEST	OTHER FUNDS	SOURCE(S) OF OTHER FUNDS	TOTAL COST
Community Educator		\$50	Crisis Center – in kind contribution	\$50
<i>Sub-Total</i>				

Total:	\$500	\$150		\$650
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2. Budget Narrative: Please describe why the requested funds are necessary for the success of this project.

This project has great support from the youth, community and the Crisis Center. We need these funds to provide the materials for the businesses to display. We anticipate that the contact made by the youth and the materials provided will go beyond this day event and be a catalyst for awareness and increased safety for youth by decreasing their risk of being a victim of date rape.

